GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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SHORTAGE OF VETERINARY COLLEGES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a huge shortage of veterinary medical colleges in various States of the country including Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(c) whether the Union Government has received a request from the State Government of Rajasthan to include some of the colleges in Rajasthan into the first schedule of Indian Veterinary Council Act, 1984;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which these colleges are likely to be included in the said schedule in order to promote veterinary education in the State;and

(e) the details of the various steps taken by the Government to overcome the shortage of veterinary medical colleges in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE (Dr.SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

(a) and (b) Veterinary Education is a state subject. Setting up of Veterinary Colleges/Institutions is under the domain of State/UTs Government to meet their requirement of trained veterinary manpower as per the availability of resources whereas setting up of Central Veterinary College/Insti- tution is under the domain of Indian Council of Agricultural Research(ICAR). Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (DADF), Gover- nment of India in consultation with Veterinary Council of India(VCI), confers recognition to veterinary qualifications awarded by veterinary institution by inclusion in the First Schedule of Indian Veterinary Council Act, 1984. State/UT- wise list of such recognized veterinary colleges is annexed.

(c) and (d) The Rajasthan Government has requested to include the following veterinary colleges into the first schedule of Indian Veterinary Council Act, 1984 :-

i. College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences,Navania- Vallabhnagar, Udaipur.

ii. Apollo College of Veterinary Medicine, Jaipur.

iii. Mahatma Gandhi College of Veterinary Sciences, Bharatpur.

iv. M.B.Veterinary College, Dungarpur.

v. M.J.F. College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Chomu,Jaipur

vi. B.S.College of Veterinary Medicine and Research Centre, Navalgarh, Jhunjhunu.

vii. Arawali Veterinary College, Sikar.

The request has been forwarded to Veterinary Council of India for their recommendation on inclusion of the Veterinary Qualification of these colleges in the first schedule of Indian Veterinary Council Act, 1984. No time limit can be fixed, as Veterinary Council of India furnish its recommendation to Central Government based on its assessment on fulfillment of Minimum Standards of Veterinary Education Regulations (B.V.Sc.& A.H Course)-2008 for which inspection is got conducted by VCI of these Colleges.

(e) In order to overcome the shortage of veterinary medical colleges and considering the difficulties being faced by the colleges to comply with the requirement under Minimum Standard of Veterinary Education (MSVE) Regulations, 2008, VCI has allowed admission in fourteen veterinary colleges in various states subject to the condition that deficiencies in terms of physical facilities, manpower and infra- structure with respect to Minimum Standards of Veterinary Education Regulations (B.V.Sc.& A.H Course)-2008 shall be fulfilled by 31.3.2015. Further, Central Government has also recognized the veterinary qualification in respect of students passed out from Apollo College of Veterinary Medicine, Jaipur as on or before 11.7.2011 and in respect of Mahatma Gandhi College of Veterinary Sciences, Bhara- tpur as on or before 08.12.2011 vide Notification S.O.2518(E) dated 25.9.2014. Further, veterinary qualification in respect of Veterinary College Shimoga and Veterinary College, Hassan under Karna- taka Veterinary Animal and

Fisheries University, Bidar has been recognized vide Notification S.O. 3007(E) dated 27.11.2014.